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NUMBERS OVER A COMPUTER NETWORK

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This communication is in response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 9, 2008. Pursuant to the Requirement, the Examiner has required restriction to one of the following groups of claims for initial examination:

Group I: Claims 1-14 and 31-35, drawn to a system for distribution of personal identification numbers from hub to server to client, classified in class 705, subclass 72

Group II: Claims 15-30, drawn to replenishing and maintaining a level of personal identification number inventory within the servers, classified in class 705, subclass 8.

Applicants hereby elect for examination the claims of Group I; that is, Claims 1-14 and 31-35, without prejudice. Applicants expressly reserve the right to file one or more divisional applications directed to the nonelected subject-matter during the pendency of this application.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees that may be due under 37 CFR §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21, and to credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1283 of the undersigned.

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